Introduced by Committee on Judiciary (Jones (Chair), Evans, Laird, Levine, Lieber, and Montanez)

March 2, 2005

An act relating to jury waivers.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1741, as introduced, Committee on Judiciary. Jury trials: waiver.

Existing law sets forth the manner in which a party to a civil action may waive his or her right to a jury trial.

This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to prescribe by statute the circumstances and manner in which a jury may be waived by contract in a civil matter, as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to prescribe by
- 2 statute the circumstances and manner in which a jury may be
- 3 waived by contract in a civil matter, as discussed in Grafton
- 4 Partners v. Superior Court (2004) 115 Cal. App.4th 700.